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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6548

BILL NUMBER: HB 1383

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 20, 2003

BILL AMENDED: Feb 20, 2003

SUBJECT: Drivers Holding Commercial Driver's Licenses.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Bischoff

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: CR Adopted - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
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 FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill provides that certain federal regulations pertaining to an intrastate driver who holds a Commercial Driver's License who is an insulin-dependent diabetic do not apply when the driver is employed by either a private carrier of property or a carrier employed in construction-related services that operates only in intrastate commerce when the driver has been granted an intrastate medical waiver by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV).

Effective Date: (Amended) July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) This proposal could allow commercial drivers from other states who are insulin-dependent to transfer to the state of Indiana with an intrastate restriction. It should be noted that any driver who has a Commercial Driver's License (and their diabetic condition changes) may apply for the waiver granted by this proposal. This proposal may result in an increase in the number of prospective insulin-dependent diabetic drivers seeking an intrastate Commercial Driver's License (CDL). This in turn could result in an increase in the number of medical files (of prospective drivers) being reviewed by the Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) Drivers' Licensing Advisory Committee.

The Drivers' Licensing Advisory Committee consists of five members, two of whom are licensed medical doctors, one of whom is an optometrist, and two others, all of whom serve at the pleasure of the Commissioner of the BMV. The purpose of the Committee is to determine whether a prospective driver is medically qualified to operate a commercial motor vehicle interstate or intrastate. The members of the Committee receive \$20 for each case that is reviewed. The BMV reports that Committee members are eligible for per diem, but do not claim it. Committee members also receive mileage reimbursement. The BMV expenditures for the Committee for FY 2000 through FY 2002 are provided in the following table.

YEAR	AMOUNT
FY 2000	\$11,390
FY 2001	\$17,850
FY 2002	\$17,026

The fund affected is the Motor Vehicle Highway Account which supports the BMV. Currently, there are 185,000 commercial driver's licenses in the state, with an additional 9,000 being intrastate licenses.

Explanation of State Revenues: The fee for a Commercial Drivers' License is \$30, with \$15 deposited into the Motor Vehicle Highway Account; \$14.50 deposited into the State License Branch Fund, which supports the operation of the state's 168 license branches; and \$0.50 put into the BMV Technology Fund. If an amendment is sought for a CDL, which would include the addition or removal of a CDL endorsement or restriction, other than at the time of application, the fee is \$10, with \$5 deposited into the Motor Vehicle Highway Account; \$4.50 deposited into the State License Branch Fund; and \$0.50 into the BMV Technology Fund.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Bureau of Motor Vehicles; Department of Revenue.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: BMV data: Claudia Mellott, Vehicle Services Division, Department of Revenue, 615-7210.

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